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IN TOUCH with St. Peter's . . . Sharing Our Ministry with You
February 24 & 25, 2018

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S:

Sunday, February 25, 8:00 and 10:45 worship, 9:30 SS and adult Bible Class, **Noon, Town Hall Meeting.**

Monday, February 26, 6:30-8:30, Life with God 1

Tuesday, February 27, 10:00-11:30 Bible Class, 6:30, Church Council Meeting.

Wednesday, February 28, Noon and 7:00 Lent 3 Services, 6:00 Connect/Confirmation.

Thursday, March 1, NOON Kiwanis, Law and Gospel Class Lower Level (LL)

Friday, March 2, Pastor's day off/Marsha out of office.

Saturday, March 3, **9:00 Town Hall Meeting,** 5:30 Saturday Worship with Communion.

Thought for this worship: ***"There is no shadow of turning with Thee, Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; as thou has been, Thou forever wilt be."*** LSB Hymn #809.

*****TOWN HALL MEETINGS:*** ***"We are the body of Christ!" There are still 8 town hall meetings left for you to attend. We'd like 100% involvement!***

UP COMING EVENTS:

****Lent services each Wed. during Lent at Noon and 7:00, "The fruit of the Spirit!"**

****TOWN HALL MEETINGS throughout February and March, Watch for information.**



Luther's thought for this worship: "The most effective remedy for temptation is to draw your thoughts away from them....and busy yourself with prayer." Martin Luther.

New 2018 Easter Worship Schedule, Mark your calendars!

6:30, Sunrise Communion Service.

8:45, Traditional Easter Service.

11:00, Informal Easter Service with praise band.

The Preschool Committee is happy to announce that:

'Applications are now being taken for children turning 4 years old on or before September 1st, 2018 for the new St. Peter's Preschool opening in September 2018. If you are interested in enrolling your child/children please email stpeterspreschool.epil@gmail.com'

Applications are also being taken for a Director/Teacher and Assistant Teacher.

MISSIONS/KYRIE "HEARTS AND HOPE FOR UGANDA (HH4U)

1. Remember to bring in your aluminum cans for recycling.

2. LOVE PACKAGES: Missions is collecting used Bibles and used Christian materials to send to Love packages. A box is located in the narthex to collect these items.

Tom and Tracy Buzzell are asking for donations of large suitcases for supplies to take to Uganda. (they will not be returned) Thanks



Easter Lilies, 30 ordered, \$13.00 each, there will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, make checks payable to St Peters, give payments to Joy Williams. Thanks.

YOUTH AND FAMILY:

1. *Weekday School/Confirmation is now called "**Connect,**" it gathers every Wednesday at 6:00. If you have a child from the 3^d grade to the 8th grade and are interested, call the Church office or Pastor Mews.*
2. **Connect/Conf. students and their families will worship with us during Lent.**

CONNECT

The staff and children of Connect are collecting crafts and craft supplies to donate to children who have extended stays. We are asking the congregation to donate crafts and craft supplies in the labeled box in the gallery. Anything you can provide would be greatly appreciated. The staff and children of Connect will be traveling up to St. Francis Hospital on Wednesday, April 18, to personally deliver these supplies. Thank you and God bless. Pam Nelson

WORSHIP:

Fruit of the Spirit from the Passion of Christ!" "Glory in The Cross!"

The 2018 Lent and Easter services will focus on "**The Fruit of the Spirit from the Passion of Christ.**" This series focuses on the fruit of the Spirit manifested by Christ in His Passion. It's goal is to enable the fruit in the lives of believers. "The Freedom of Christ has set us free." This freedom isn't to serve our sinful nature, but to have true freedom, to glory in the cross of Christ as we walk in the Spirit and show forth the fruits of the spirit in our lives through love being servants to one another. *Through inspirational sermons, timeless hymns, faithful liturgies, worshipers will be blessed to receive the gifts of Christ's Passion in the Fruits of the Spirit.*

Wednesday, February 28, "Faithfulness from the Passion of the Christ." Matthew 26:47-56.

FEBRUARY 2018 SERMONS and TEXTS:

Sunday, February 25, 2nd Sunday in Lent, Matthew 15:21-28, "Faithful to and Amongst the Faithless."

MATURING DISCIPLES:

SUNDAY A.M., This Sunday, 2/25, Bible Study over ***The Book of Acts.*** We meet 9:30-10:30 in The LOWER LEVEL, Today, Acts, chapters 13-14. ALL are welcome!

****TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** Continues on February 27, Classes gather in the lower level from 10:00-11:30, with its study over "**The Book of Isaiah.**" This week chapter 58.

****THURSDAY NIGHT "IN DEPTH" BIBLE STUDY:** CFW. Walther's "**Law and Gospel,**" a book which clearly illuminates the Scripture. All are welcome and you need to bring nothing. **+2018 WINTER "Luther's Small Catechism" LIFE WITH GOD 1, (LWG 1)** gathers on Mondays, from 6:30-8:30. We gather in the Lower Level. LL.

***KEEP THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR WITH IMMEDIATE MEDICAL NEEDS IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Gloria Burton, Eldon Schoedel, Lori Gunther, Pat Quitschau, Tracy Turner Tom Magnusson's sister, Mike Sutton, Tom Magarity Pat Magarity's brother, Dave brother of Julie Parlier, Tony Walker father of Ashley Walker, Richard & Judy Kaps, Marj Dodson, Jean Brown friend of Fern Hudson, Delores Boettcher, mother of Dan Boettcher hospitalized, Floyd Nyman, Dave Swords brother of Ron Swords, Jack Crum in AZ., Phyllis Nicely mother of Lisa Mews, Cindy Parrott, Jacklyn Williams OSF, Wayne Morris Pekin hospital, Lyle Wright, Don Theobald, Deb Feehan.

Pray and remember those homebound, hospitalized/having surgery/testing this week; Marj Dodson, at home recovering from knee replacement., Cindy Parrott, daughter of Bonnie Parrott, cancer treatment, OSF. Wayne Morris, Pekin Hospital.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY AND THOSE SERVING IN HARM'S WAY!

Andrew Benedict, Jereme Martin, Brady Martin, Dalton Belcher (deployed), Jacob Brandt (deployed Japan), Joe & Jake Gunther, Michael Lewis, Roger & David Masters, Trent Barron, Doug and Delia Gardner, Lauren Tranchitella.

Attendance and Comparison for the Third Week of February & Ash Wednesday

Totals for the Third Week			Lenten Season Services		
SERVICE	2018	2017	SERVICE	2018	2017
Saturday	40	28	Ash Wed	117	104
8:00	59	55			
10:45	74	98			
Total	173	181	Total	117	104